

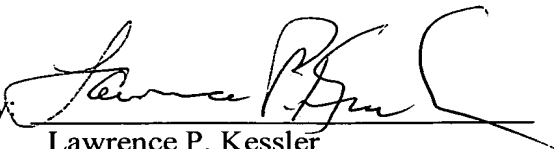
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the Office Action dated November 1, 2004, the Examiner has rejected Claim 1 (Claims 1, 3, 6) under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Further, the Examiner has kindly indicated that Claims 2, 4, and 7-20 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. By this paper, Claim 1 has been amended to more particularly point out that which the Applicants regard as the invention by including the allowable subject matter of Claim 2 (now cancelled). Further, Claims 1, 3, 6, and 11-15 have been amended to address remarks of the Examiner, and to more particularly point out and distinctly claim that which Applicants regard as the invention. Additionally, Claims 1 and 3 have been cancelled without prejudice. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that amended independent Claim 1 and Claims 3- 20 dependent thereon, which are the claims remaining in this Application are now allowable.

Applicants are not aware of any additional patents, publications, or other information not previously submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office which would be required under 37 C.F.R. §1.99.

This Application is now believed to be in condition for favorable reconsideration and early allowance, and such actions are respectfully requested.

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